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AMENDMENT D WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2005.

An automatic one month extension of time to respond, up to and including October 19, 2005, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: